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Members of Woolamai Beach SLSC,

Please find below an update from the Board of Woolamai Beach SLSC following our meeting on 3rd February 2021. Please remember that is it **not** possible to provide all notes and information due to the sensitive nature of some discussions. This document provides a snapshot.

It is noted that the Director of Member Development (Brendan Smart) is on leave. Joshua Smith (Chief Instructor) provided the Director's report on his behalf and attended the Board Meeting.

Jason Close (Life Member) also attended the meeting as a member of the working party with Phillip Island Nature Parks to present a decision paper on progress and funding for Sand Removal Works.

Board Reports presented by Board Members:

President (Mark Bain):

- COVID update
 - Re-opened club as per LSV guidance
 - Continue to monitor the pandemic and consider impacts on club as they arise
- PINP relationship and update
 - Working Closely with Thommo and Stafford on relationship with PINP
 - \circ \quad Working group formed to examine grant funding options for sand remediation and other works
- Emergency Services Fund
 - o Danni (LSV) working with Clarky to identify and finalise list of deliverables
 - Commenced activities on initial work items
- Dandenong North High School
 - \circ $\;$ Working with David Ellison to create a relationship with Dandenong North High School to promote water safety and life saving



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Vice Presidents (Stafford Smith and Max Eldridge):

Stafford:

- Phillip Island Nature Parks
 - Thanks to Nature Parks for the repair to the disabled ramp which had to be closed off due to damaged sub structure from being buried in damp sand?
 - \circ $\;$ Fencing, although still incomplete, appears to be working with very promising signs
 - \circ $\;$ Hoping the more permanent fencing in front the carpark viewing area will be completed soon.
 - Presentation of Decision Paper for Building better Regions Grant. (Jason Close to present)
 - Board approval needed so it can be presented to the Sand Management Team meeting on 11th Feb. Grant submission date 5th March
- Sustainability
 - No meeting help since last Board meeting.
 - Upwey Partnership
 - TOC's courses have been circulated for 2021 and expressions of interest have been called for. Six Upwey teachers have applied with the hope of finally getting this qualification.
 - Dates and bookings for 2021 Upwey courses have been lodged with Woolamai
- Club Championships
 - Further discussion around Club Champs required with Director of Competition and Board

Max:

- Judicial Committee
 - Almost finalised now for Board response
- Club Fob and Security
 - Apart of successful grant application
- Long Service Awards
 - Awards on the way or already delivered, believe they will be very well received. They look fantastic
- RWC update
 - Paid Lifeguards over
 - Seems to be an issue from LSV end in completing volunteer roster, despite the availability of members, have communicated this with LSV

Director of Finance and Administration/Secretary (Adrian Koller):

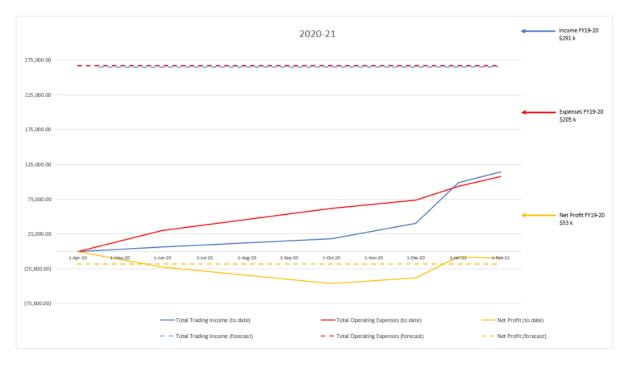
- Major Account Activity (past 30 days)
 - o ATV hire \$1,900
 - PINP sand movement \$5,000
 - Clubbie clobber ~\$8,000
 - o Current total in main account \$290,000



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Director of Life Saving Services/Club Captain (Josh Cottier):

- Patrols:
 - Rescues, a small handful by our volunteers.

Most notable: Mass Rescue by hellfish on Jan 24th, all patients made it home safely due to an exceptional effort by the hellfish patrol and the bass RWC's (Campbell Smart & Jameson trainer).

- Thorough debrief and review carried out on incident.
- Patrol attendance throughout the peak season has been excellent.
- Loosening of COVID restrictions have allowed the Patrol limit cap removed and patrols to begin hosting functions again in the clubhouse.
- Gear & Equipment:
 - ATV finally ready as of today for pick up from Marriott's, will be back on the beach this Saturday!
 - Rental ATV being return this Saturday.
 - Two IRB's out of action and offsite for repairs, gash in hard hull WOL01V's bow, leak in one of the thundercats hulls. Operationally still sound/ plenty of IRB's available.
- Emergency Response:
 - Matt Hall finalising roll out of SMS alert app currently and preparing to train club emergency response contacts in charge in use. Trial run to test system will be carried out shortly.
 - Still no incident tasking to the club.



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Director of Facilities/Assets (Darrell Clark):

- A lengthy discussion was held by the Board regarding the required works on the Smiths Beach Shelter and the follow up by the Board and the original constructors
 - Director is working with President for further follow up and assistance from external parties
- The Director discussed the current repairs going on at the club and the works being conducted for our recent successful grant application, including prioritising repairs and new equipment where needed
 - The Board thanked the Director for the fantastic plan and works

Director of Member Development (Brendan Smart):

As the Director of Member Development is on Australian Defence Force leave, the Chief Instructor (Josh Smith) presented the Directors report.

- Training and Assessing Update
 - Inflatable Recue Boat Camp
 - Last season Woolamai Beach provided an IRB camp during the Labour Day Long weekend which proved to be a successful program. Due to COVID-19 our scheduled Easter Camp could not run. The training team is happy to announce that we will be running an IRB camp for those members who unfortunately could not partake in the Easter camp in 2020. The camp is scheduled to be run on the 6th-8th (Labour Day Weekend) & 13th -14th. EOI's will go out to the broader membership once all candidates have been confirmed.
 - o Other Awards
 - Lifesaving clubs around the state provide many opportunities for members to join in and participate in a course external to Woolamai. Gunnamatta is currently expressing interest for members who want to complete the Silver Medallion Beach Management Course on the 7th and 14th March. Members wishing to complete New Courses/Awards at other clubs, should register for New Courses/Awards at the following link: https://mt.lsv.com.au/login/ be sure to register as positions fill quickly.
- Upwey High School (UHS)
 - Communication has already begun with the UHS team regarding the:
 - First Aid camp (Year 10 students)
 - Bronze Medallion/IRB Camp (Year 10/11 students)
 - Advanced Resuscitation Certificate Course (Year 11 students)
 - Vice Chief Instructor Evan Richter will work closely with Bianca and the training team on the organisation of the above courses.
- Bronze Camp Update
 - Plans for the Bronze Medallion Course has started and will be communicated to members in the near future. The training team is happy to announce that



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Hannah Tzimokas and Tommy Williams will be the lead trainers/organisers for this year's camp.

- The pair have many years of lifesaving experience and are both the Chief and Deputy Chief Lifeguards in the Bass region (respectively). Woolamai Beach are very lucky to have both Hannah and Tommy teaching our up and coming lifesavers. Trainers for this course are TBC.
- Bronze Medallion Camp dates and Times are TBC. Bronze Camp Update can be found here: https://www.woolamaibeach.org.au/news/bronze-camp-update-2020

Director of Competition (Jeremy Goodger):

- An update was provided on the recent Junior Carnival that was meant to take place, but was cancelled due to poor water quality by LSV
 - More carnivals are planned for Ocean Grove in the coming weeks
- A further discussion was held around Club Championships

Director of Communications (Riley Fyffe):

- Spoke with Hannah and Terry regarding Bronze Camp registrations. (Once dates and cost is locked in, I can start communicating to people that have expressed interest.
- Spoke to Ben Trethewey who has said the Adult Bronze and SRC candidate tops will be ready by 7/02/2021. Once we have received tops, we will ship these out to candidates.
- Nick Kirby will be designing and ordering Bronze Camp shirts.
- Mike Whittaker emailed list of WBSLSC email accounts. Will be reviewing email addresses so we can assign new roles email addresses.
- Extended lifeguard season comms updated.

Director of Nippers (Charles Tuchtan):

- Nippers
 - As per January report, a full report regarding the 2020/21 will be provided at the March Board meeting.
 - o 2021/2022 program dates
 - Nippers program dates: Wednesday 29 December 2021 to Wednesday 5 January 2022 inclusive (rest day on New Year's Day)
- Member retention project
 - A small working group has commenced work on member retention strategy. The group is currently led by Jason Close and Charles Tuchtan. Initially the group intends to investigate membership attrition using quantitative data collected from Surfguard.
 - Following analysis of this data, additional information will be collected from the membership via interviews and surveys. Janine Lloyd, an active member of the club and a financial analysist has offered to assist with this process. A brief report with recommendation will be presented to the board in August/September.



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Director of Leadership Development (Hannah Tzimokas):

The Director of Leadership Development was unable to attend due to illness. An update was provided on Bronze Camp through the Director of Member Developments report

Decision Papers presented to the Board:

- A detailed Decision Paper and discussion was presented by Jason Close on behalf of the Sand Removal working group in regards to the Building Better Regions Grant Application
 - This will be a beneficial and interesting process
 - The Board thoroughly supported moving ahead

Urgent/General business presented to the Board:

• Nil

Next Meeting:

• Wednesday 3rd March 2021



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